

# ***Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (EVI) Lab: Wireless and Conductive Charging Testing***



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# Why have the *Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (EVI) Laboratory*?

- Non-unified standards limit consumer acceptance and marketplace penetration
  - Support codes and standards development
- Electric vehicle charging needs to be well understood as electric grid becomes more modern
  - Provide independent testing of plug-in electric vehicle (PEV) charging systems
  - Evaluate cyber security of charging systems

	Type 1/USA	Type 2/Europa	GB/China
Alternating current (AC)	 SAE J1772/IEC 62196-2	 IEC 62196-2	 GB Part 2
Direct current (DC)	 IEC 62196-3	 IEC 62196-3	 GB Part 3/IEC 62196-3

	System A CHAdeMO (Japan)	System B CATARC (PRC)	COMBO1 (US)	System C COMBO2
Connector				
Vehicle Inlet				
Communication Protocol	CAN		PLC	

## *Testing focus & facility capabilities*

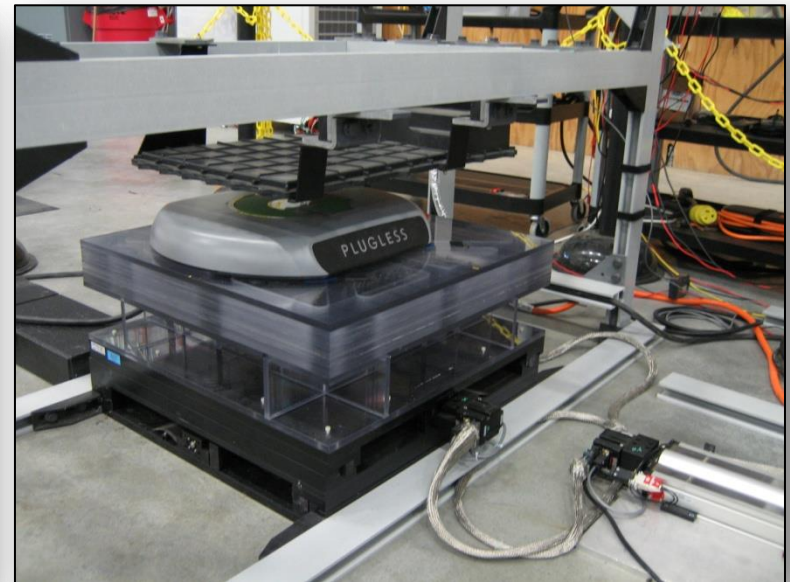
- Evaluate performance of conductive and wireless charging systems
- Wide range of input power
- Vehicle emulator (for bench tests)
- Chevy Volt and Nissan Leafs



# ***Wireless Charging: Evaluation and Test Procedure Development***

# ***Wireless charging testing and evaluation***

- On-board vehicle testing
- Standalone sub-system testing (bench test)
- Directly supports SAE J2954 test procedure development

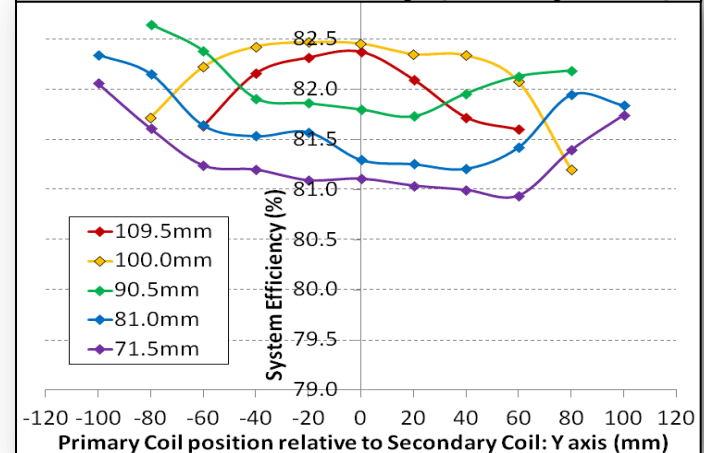




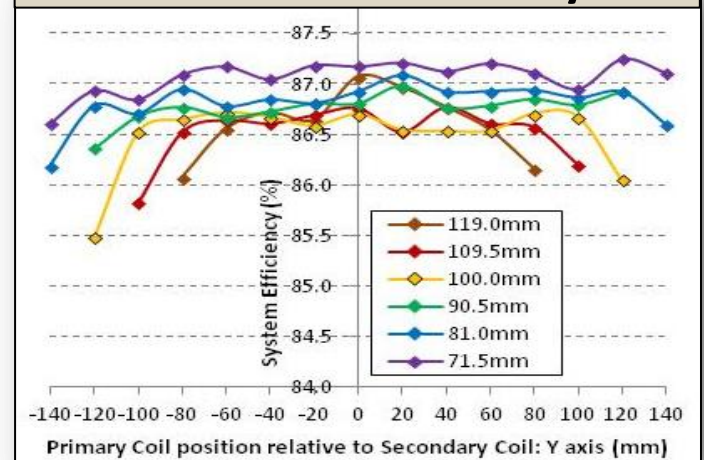
# Test results: *PLUGLESS* system efficiency

- Efficiency varies with coil gap and misalignment
- Significant differences between on-board and bench testing
  - Due to steel vehicle chassis absorbing electromagnetic field
- Output power also has efficiency effects
  - Decreased power → decreased efficiency

## Vehicle Efficiency (Chevy Volt)

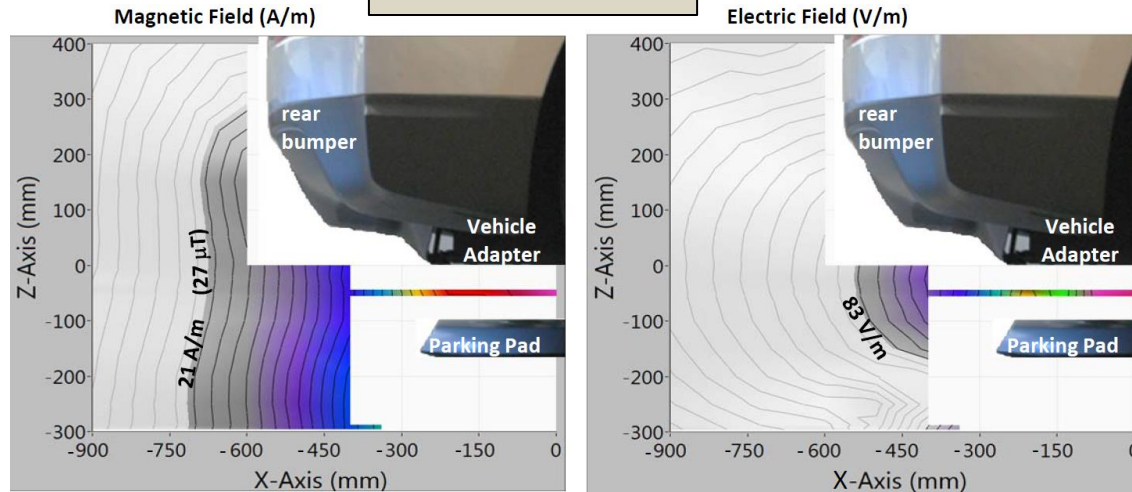


## Bench Test Efficiency

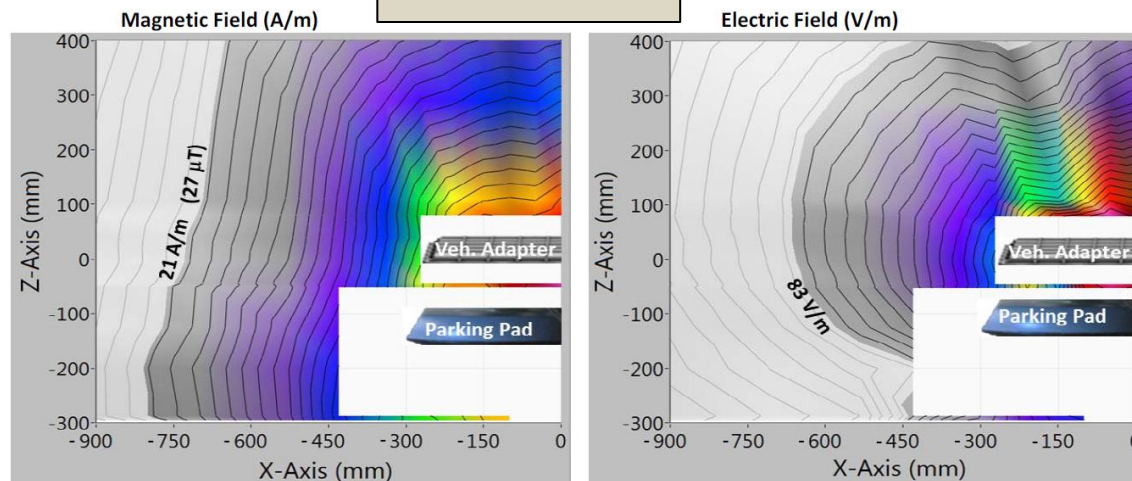


# Test results: EM-field measurements

## On Vehicle



## Bench Test



# Fact Sheet: vehicle test results

Advanced Vehicle Testing Activity

**PLUGLESS™ Level 2 EV Charging System (3.3 kW) by Evatran Group Inc.**

Results from Laboratory Testing as installed on a 2012 Chevy Volt

**Description / Specifications<sup>1</sup>**

System Input Voltage operating Voltage	208 to 240 VAC
Circuit Breaker Rating	30 A
Nominal gap between coils	100 mm
Rated maximum power output	3300 watts
Parking Pad (Primary Coil system)	
Shape	Approximately Circular
Size	559 dia. x 470 long mm
Vehicle Adapter (Secondary Coil system)	
Shape	Rectangular
Size	762 long x 457 wide mm

**Measured System Parameters during nominal, steady state conditions<sup>2</sup>**

Input Power	
Input Voltage	208 VAC
Input Current RMS	28 Amps RMS
Power Factor	0.60
Voltage Total Harmonic Distortion (THD)	3 %
Current Total Harmonic Distortion (THD)	134 %
Wireless Power Transfer Operation	
Operating Frequency (kHz)	18 - 20 kHz (variable)
DC Output Power (into On-Board Charge Module)	
Output Voltage	215 VDC
Output Current	13.8 Amps
Output Voltage Ripple Factor	0.76 %
Operating Temperature after 4.0 hours at 3.0 kW output	
Parking Pad: Max observed surface temperature	51 °C
Vehicle Adapter: Max observed surface temperature	48 °C



<sup>1</sup> Manufacturer's Specifications: [http://www.pluglesspower.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Plugless\\_Tech\\_Specs.pdf](http://www.pluglesspower.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Plugless_Tech_Specs.pdf)

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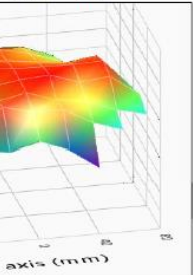
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**PLUGLESS™ Vehicle Adapter into On-Board Charge Module**

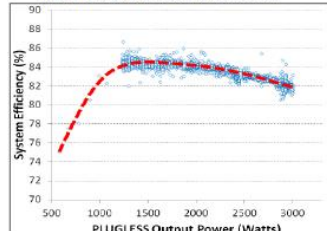
PLUGLESS™ Control Panel from 208 VAC

**to fully recharged<sup>2</sup>**

Primary Coil position relative to Secondary Coil (mm)	
82.5%	(20,-20)
82.5%	(0,0)



**System Efficiency at Various Output Power<sup>2</sup>**

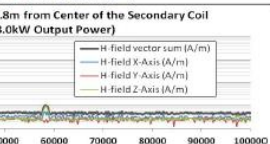


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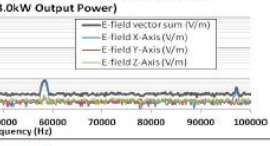
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**Electric Field (V/m)**

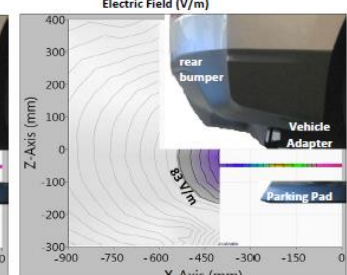
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**EM Field meter position (X,Z)**

1490 A/m (1872 μT)	(0,-50)	centered between coils
5425 V/m	(0,-50)	centered between coils
33.6 A/m (42.2 μT)	(-600,-50)	at rear bumper
57.3 V/m	(-600,-50)	at rear bumper
0.5 A/m (0.6 μT)	(0,250)	inside trunk above charge system
0.8 V/m	(0,250)	inside trunk above charge system

below secondary coil) 0.8m from Secondary Coil Center along X-axis

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**1 Watts**

**EM Field measurement position**  
top surface center of parking pad  
top surface center of parking pad

**0.0 μT**

**by 300mm coil misalignment**

**1 Watts**  
0 seconds

**EM Field measurement position**  
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**(847 μT)**

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# Fact Sheet: bench test results (standalone)

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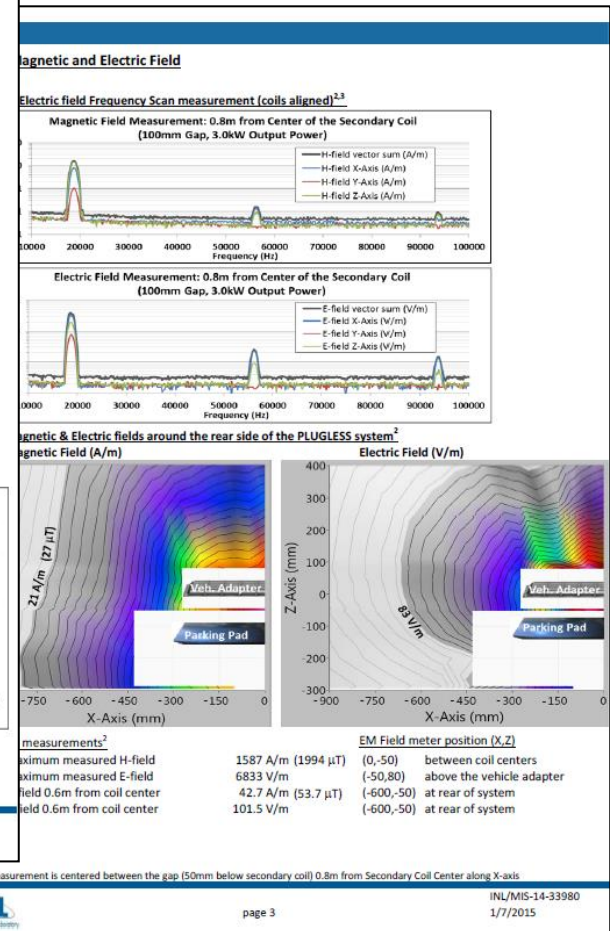
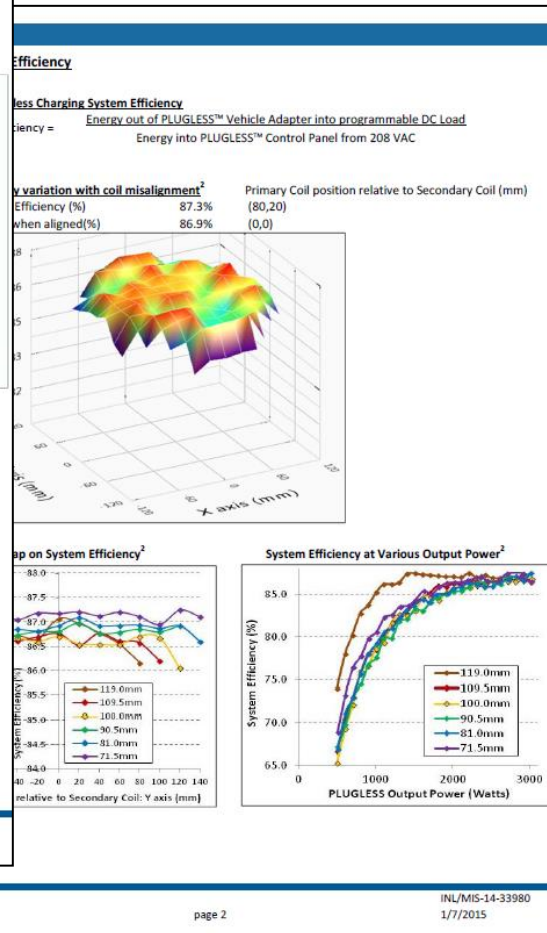


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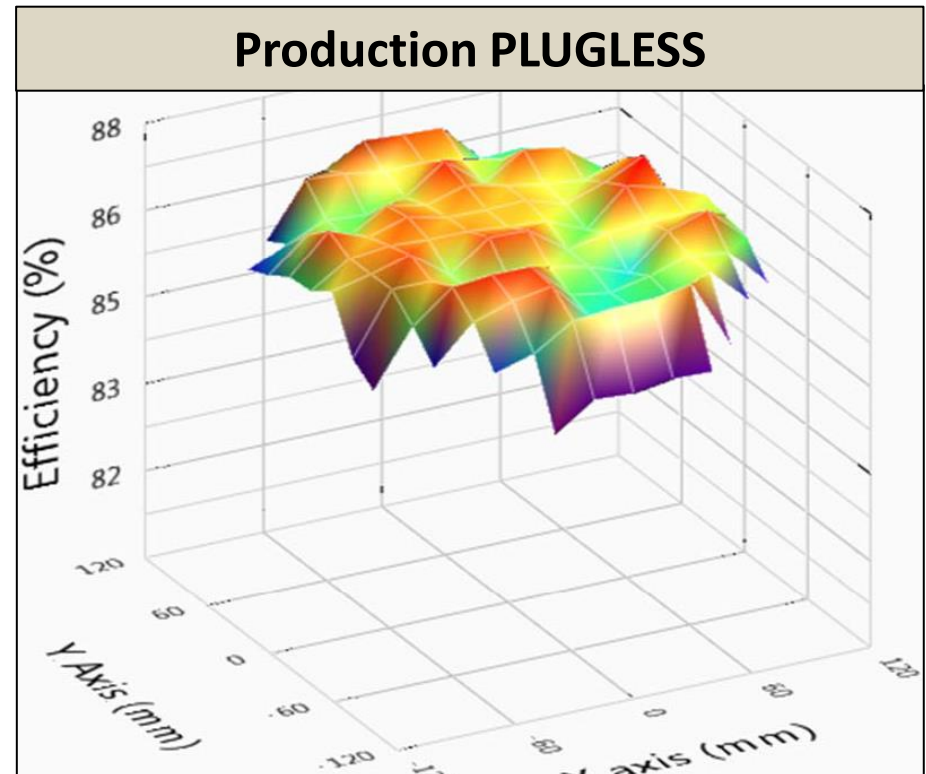
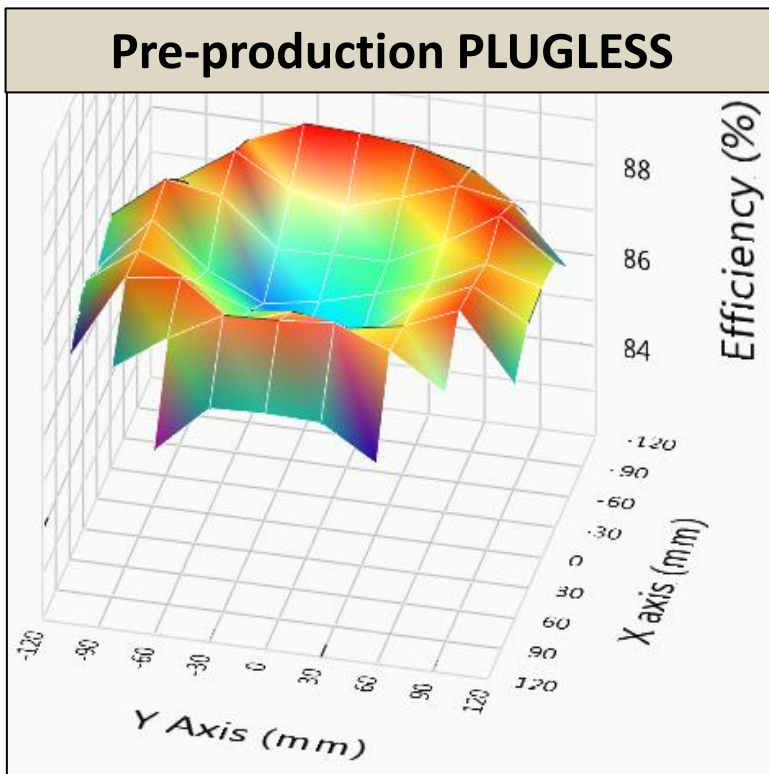
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## ***INL data enabled efficiency improvements***

- INL's evaluation of the pre-production PLUGLESS system led to:
  - Improvements for the production PLUGLESS, based on INL test results
    - More consistent efficiency across range of misalignment



# ***Conductive Charging: Evaluation and Test Procedure Development***

# ***Conductive EVSE test procedures for Energy Star***

- Draft document created for Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE testing
  - Definitions
  - Test equipment requirements
  - Test procedures
    - Standby power consumption
    - Power consumption during charging
- Recommendations for consideration of additional features that may impact EVSE power consumption
  - EVSE rated maximum current
  - Cord length
  - Additional features:
    - Status lights, communication, touch screen, # of cords, etc.



## ***Evaluation of 4 smart grid capable EVSE***

- Four FOA awardees developed EVSE with smart grid communication capabilities
  - GE, Eaton, Delta, Siemens
- Final deliverable EVSE were evaluated by INL
  - Operational and efficiency testing
- Cyber Security Vulnerability assessment
  - Physical security
  - Communications security (wired and wireless)
  - Software and firmware assessment



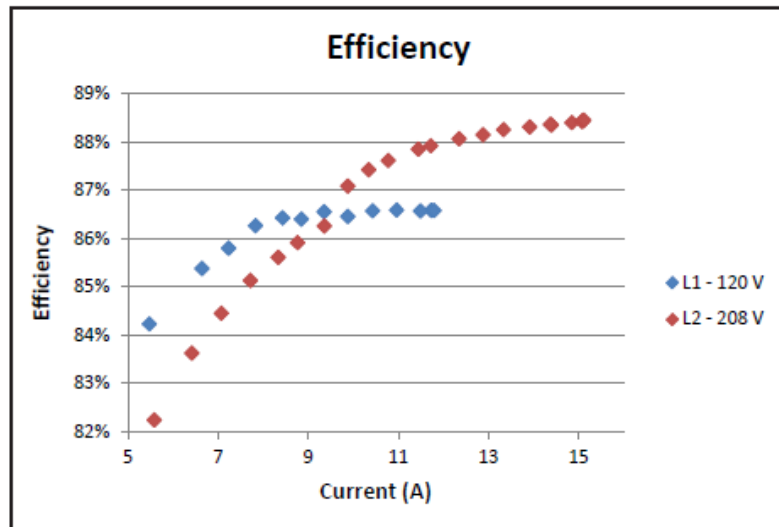
## ***On-board charger power quality***

- With smart EVSE, plug-in electric vehicles could be controllable loads
- Vehicle response must be understood for effective use in a smart or micro grid application
  - Every vehicle will respond differently
- INL supports SAE J2894 standard development
- Characterized the on-board charger for two vehicles
  - 2012 Chevrolet Volt (3.3 kW charger)
  - 2015 Nissan Leaf (6.6 kW charger)

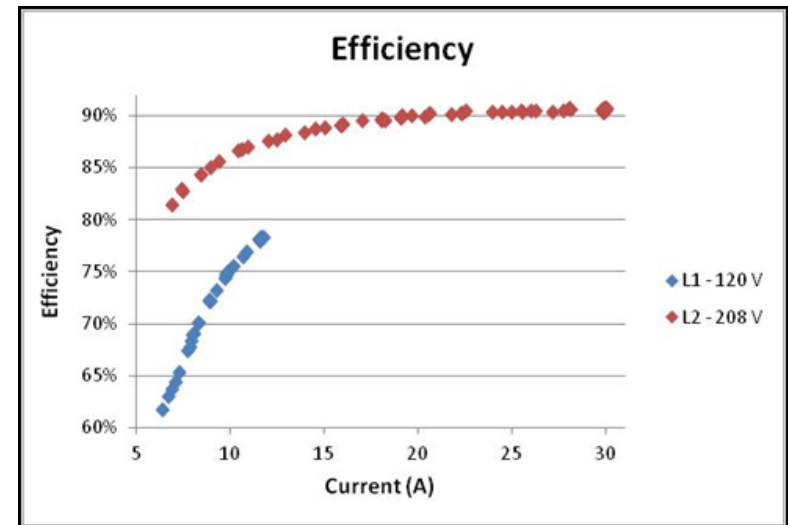


# Test results: efficiency

2012 Volt

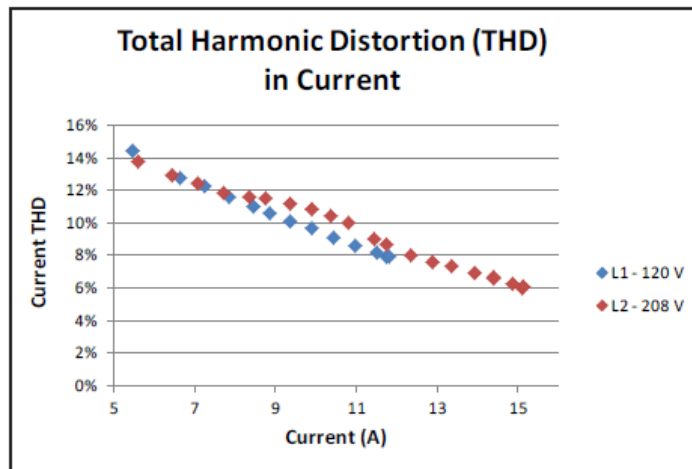
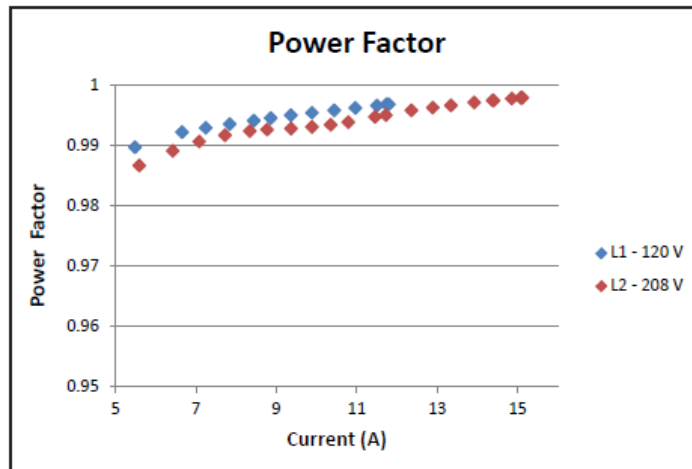


2015 Leaf

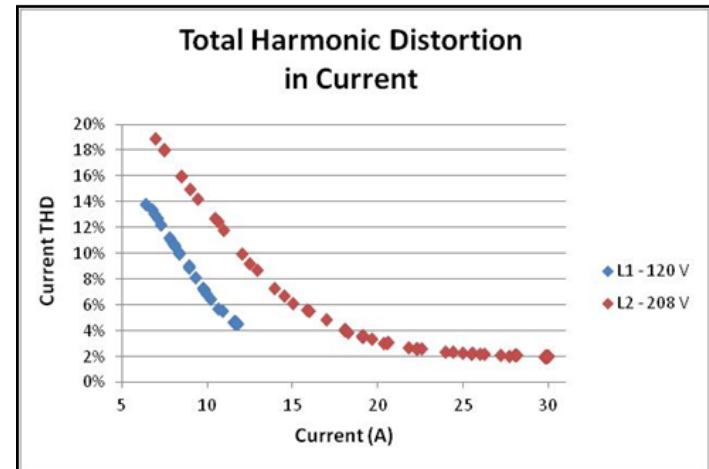
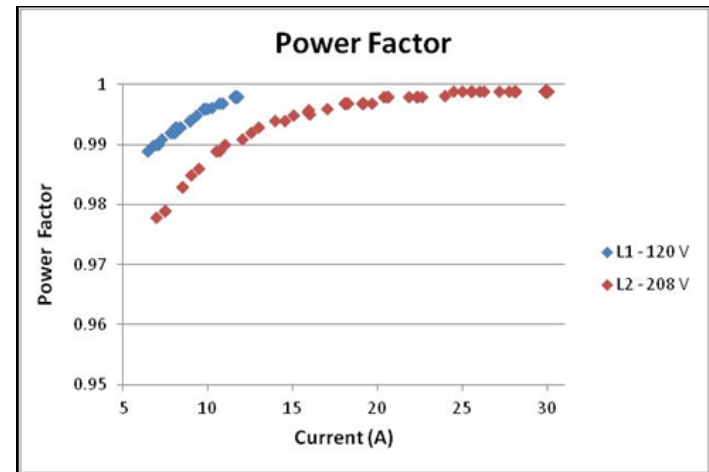


# Test results: power quality

## 2012 Volt



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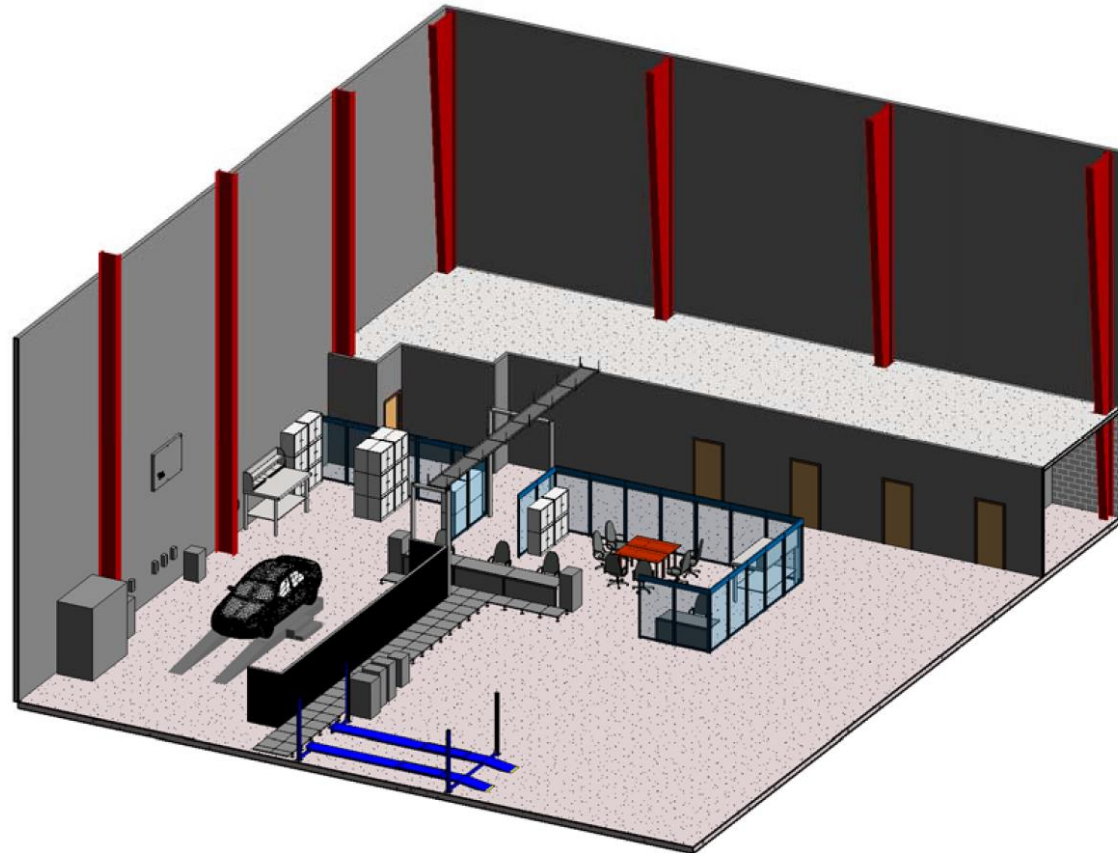




## ***INL's EVI Laboratory: Looking to the Future...***

## *Facility improvements*

- Increased workspace
- More grid capability
- Ability to evaluate the interaction of multiple vehicle charging systems simultaneously
- Improved Cyber Security assessment tools and capabilities
- Coordinated testing and evaluation of interaction with INL's Grid Systems RTDS and Micro Grid demonstration facility



## Summary

INL's EVI lab is the U.S. DOE core capability for testing and evaluating wireless and conductive charging systems

- Support codes and standards test procedures development
  - SAE J2954, J2894, and EPA Energy Star
- Benchmark advanced technologies
  - Wireless and Conductive charging system efficiency, standby power consumption, and power quality impact to the grid
- Cyber Security vulnerability evaluation





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